# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	) Chapter 11
ALEXANDER E. JONES,	) Case No. 22-33553 (CML)
Debtor.	)
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# NOTICE OF FILING OF PROPOSED SECOND AMENDED AGREED SCHEDULING ORDER FOR CONFIRMATION HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on November 30, 2023, Debtor Alexander E. Jones, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed in the above-captioned case, the Connecticut Plaintiffs,<sup>1</sup> and the Texas Plaintiffs<sup>2</sup> (collectively, the "Parties") filed the *Proposed Agreed Scheduling Order for Confirmation Hearing* [ECF No. 511] with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Court"), which the Court entered on December 1, 2023 [ECF No. 512].

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, on January 29, 2024, the Parties filed the *Proposed Amended Agreed Scheduling Order for Confirmation Hearing* [ECF No. 586] (the "<u>Proposed Amended Scheduling Order</u>") with the Court, which the Court entered on January 31, 2024 [ECF No. 595].

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> is the *Proposed Second Amended Agreed Scheduling Order for Confirmation Hearing* (the "<u>Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order</u>"),<sup>3</sup> pursuant to which the Parties have agreed to extend dates and deadlines in connection with a confirmation hearing in this Chapter 11 Case. Subject to the Court's availability, the Parties respectfully request that the Court enter the Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, for the convenience of the Court and all parties in interest, a blackline comparison of the Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order against the Proposed Amended Scheduling Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The "<u>Connecticut Plaintiffs</u>" are (i) David Wheeler; (ii) Francine Wheeler; (iii) Mark Barden; (iv) Jacqueline Barden; (v) Nicole Hockley; (vi) Ian Hockley; (vii) Jennifer Hensel; (viii) Donna Soto; (ix) Carlee Soto-Parisi; (x) Carlos M. Soto; (xi) Jillian Soto Marino; (xii) William Aldenberg; (xiii) William Sherlach; (xiv) Robert Parker; and (xv) Erica Lafferty.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The "<u>Texas Plaintiffs</u>" are: (i) Neil Heslin; (ii) Scarlett Lewis; (iii) Leonard Pozner; (iv) Veronique De La Rosa; and (v) the Estate of Marcel Fontaine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Proposed Second Amended Scheduling Order.

Dated: March 1, 2024

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on March 1, 2024, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.

/s/ Marty L. Brimmage, Jr.
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## Exhibit A

# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	) Chapter 11
ALEXANDER E. JONES,	) Case No. 22-33553 (CML)
Debtor.	) ) )

# PROPOSED SECOND AMENDED AGREED SCHEDULING ORDER FOR CONFIRMATION HEARING

WHEREAS, Debtor Alexander E. Jones ("Jones"), the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") appointed in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "Jones Case"), the Texas Plaintiffs, and the Connecticut Plaintiffs² (collectively, the "Parties") have met and conferred regarding the scheduling of dates relevant to a confirmation hearing to commence on [Tuesday, May 21], 2024 (the "Confirmation Hearing") and have agreed to further amend the Amended Agreed Scheduling Order for Confirmation Hearing [ECF No. 595] to allow for continued discussions among the Parties;

WHEREAS, the Court has considered the proposed schedule in connection with the Confirmation Hearing;

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The following dates and deadlines shall govern confirmation of any plans filed in the Jones Case, including discovery and the conduct of the Confirmation Hearing:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Texas Plaintiffs comprise Neil Heslin, Scarlett Lewis, Leonard Pozner, Veronique De La Rosa, and Marcel Fontaine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Connecticut Plaintiffs comprise David Wheeler, Francine Wheeler, Jacqueline Barden, Mark Barden, Nicole Hockley, Ian Hockley, Jennifer Hensel, Donna Sota, Carlee Soto Parisi, Carlos M. Soto, Jillian Soto-Marino, William Aldenberg, William Sherlach, and Robert Parker.

Event	Date
<b>Plan Filing Date.</b> The date by which any	
Party or other party in interest must file a plan	Friday, December 15, 2023
(each, a " <u>Plan</u> ").	
Jones Disclosure Statement Filing Date.	
The date by which Jones must file his	Friday, December 22, 2023
disclosure statement in support of any Plan he	111day, December 22, 2023
has proposed.	
Committee Disclosure Statement Filing	
<b>Date.</b> The date by which the Committee, the	
Texas Plaintiffs and the Connecticut Plaintiffs	Friday, January 5, 2024
and any other party in interest proposing a	111uay, sanuary 3, 2024
Plan must file its disclosure statement in	
support thereof.	
Written Discovery Deadline. The deadline	
by which the Parties and any other parties in	
interest shall serve discovery relating to any	
Plans, potential objections thereto, and any	
other matters to be heard at the Confirmation	
Hearing (the "Requests"). The Parties and	
other parties in interest may—and are	
encouraged to—serve Requests sooner. The	
Parties and any other parties in interest shall	Tuesday, January 9, 2024
serve responses and objections to any	ruesuay, gariaary 2, 2024
Requests within two weeks of service of the	
Requests. For the avoidance of doubt, the	
Parties and any other parties in interest shall	
meet and confer in good faith regarding	
timing and any requested extension of	
response deadline. The Parties also reserve	
the right to serve Requests at a later date	
based on developments since January 9.	
Objections to Provisional Approval of	
<b>Disclosure Statements.</b> The date by which	m 1 7 46 222
Parties and any other parties in interest shall	Tuesday, January 16, 2024
file any objections to the provisional approval	
of any disclosure statements filed.	
Disclosure Statement Hearing Date. The	
date on which the Parties and any other	
parties in interest shall, subject to the Court's	Wednesday, January 24, 2024
availability, participate in a hearing regarding	
any disclosure statements filed to seek	
provisional approval thereof.	7. 1 7 20 222
Solicitation Mailing/Publication Deadline.	Monday, January 29, 2024

Privilege Log Deadline. The date by which the Parties and any other recipients of the Requests shall have provided logs of documents responsive to the Requests that were withheld or redacted on the basis of any claim or privilege.	Tuesday, January 30, 2024
Substantial Completion of Document	
Production. The date by which the Parties and any other recipients of the Requests shall substantially complete the production of documents in response to the Requests.  Parties and any other recipients of the Requests must commence production of documents in response to Requests as soon as reasonably possible and shall roll out document production in tranches, as available. Parties and any other recipients of the Requests shall not wait until the substantial completion deadline to	Friday, February 2, 2024
commence production.	
Preliminary Witness Lists. The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall exchange lists of witnesses each such party in good faith expects to call at the Confirmation Hearing.	Monday, March 25, 2024
Fact Witness Depositions. The dates during which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall conduct fact witness depositions.	Wednesday, March 27, 2024 – Wednesday, April 3, 2024
Expert Reports. The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall simultaneously exchange expert reports. Bankruptcy Rule 7026 shall apply in its entirely to any expert reports exchanged.	Monday, April 8, 2024
Production of Materials Relied Upon in Expert Reports. The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall produce copies of any documents or data that were (a) relied on by such party's expert in forming the opinions contained in such report and (b) have not already been produced in these cases.	Monday, April 8, 2024
Plan Objection Deadline. The date by	Wednesday April 10, 2024
which objections to any Plan must be filed.	Wednesday, April 10, 2024
<b>Rebuttal Expert Report.</b> The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest may exchange rebuttal expert reports, if any.	Tuesday, April 16, 2024

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<b>Rebuttal Expert Reports.</b> The date by	
which the Parties and any other parties in	
interest shall produce copies of any	Tuesday, April 16, 2024
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contained in rebuttal reports and (b) have not	
already been produced in these cases.	
<b>Expert Depositions.</b> The dates during which	[Wednesday, April 17 – Tuesday, April 23,
the Parties and any other parties in interest	
shall conduct expert witness depositions.	2024]
Exchange of Exhibits. The deadline by	
which the Parties and any other parties in	
interest shall exchange exhibits with each	Wednesday, April 24, 2024
other.	
Exchange of Final Witness and Exhibit	
<b>Lists.</b> The date by which the Parties and any	
other parties in interest shall serve a final list	
of witnesses and exhibits they intend to offer	
at the Confirmation Hearing (subject to	
supplementation from ongoing expert	Friday, May 10, 2024
depositions). Witness lists shall identify all	Filday, Way 10, 2024
witnesses that each party will call and may	
call at the Confirmation Hearing and shall	
provide a brief summary of the anticipated	
testimony of each witness.	
Objections to Final Witness and Exhibit	
<b>Lists.</b> The date by which the Parties and any	T 1 14 2024
other parties in interest must serve any	Tuesday, May 14, 2024
objections to the final witness and exhibit	
lists.	
Replies to Objections / Briefs in Support of	
<b>Confirmation.</b> The date by which the Parties	
and any other parties in interest must file their	Thursday, May 16, 2024
replies to all timely objections to their	Thursday, Way 10, 2024
respective Plans and submit any briefs in	
support of confirmation of any Plan.	
<b>Meet and Confer</b> . The date on which the	
Parties and any other parties in interest shall	Friday May 17, 2024
meet and confer concerning any objections to	Friday, May 17, 2024
witnesses or exhibits.	
Final Pretrial Conference. The date on	
which the Parties and any other parties in	
interest shall, subject to the Court's	To be set week prior to Confirmation
availability, participate in a final pretrial	Hearing]
conference.	
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Filing of Final Witness and Exhibit Lists with the Clerk of the Court. The deadline by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall file final exhibit and witness lists with the Clerk of the Court.	[To be set two days before of commencement of Confirmation Hearing]
Confirmation Hearing Dates. The timeframe in which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall complete trial. For the avoidance of doubt, final approval of any disclosure statements filed will be sought during the Confirmation Hearing.	[Tuesday, May 21, 2024 – Wednesday, May 22, 2024]

- 2. **Service.** The Parties and any other parties in interest agree to serve by email on all other Parties and any other parties in interest all discovery requests and written responses. Parties producing electronically stored information shall simultaneously transmit or make available such productions to all Parties that are bound by the *Stipulated Confidentiality Agreement and Protective Order*, dated February 14, 2023 [FSS ECF No. 461; Jones ECF No. 159].
- 3. **Discovery Disputes.** The Parties and any other parties in interest shall promptly seek Court intervention regarding any disputes that cannot be resolved consensually, which disputes shall be heard by the Court on an expedited basis.
- 4. **Confirmation Hearing.** The Parties and any other parties in interest will meet and confer on the details of the Confirmation Hearing, including the sequencing and length of witness testimony and the presentation of other evidence.
- 5. **Amendments or Modifications.** The Court may amend or modify the terms of this Order for good cause shown.
- 6. **Retention of Jurisdiction.** This Court shall retain jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the interpretation of this Order.

Dated: [DATE]

Houston, Texas HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

## Exhibit B

#### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	) ) Chapter 11
ALEXANDER E. JONES,	) Case No. 22-33553 (CML)
Debtor.	)
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## PROPOSED <u>SECOND</u> AMENDED AGREED SCHEDULING ORDER FOR CONFIRMATION HEARING

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WHEREAS, the Court has considered the proposed schedule in connection with the Confirmation Hearing;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Texas Plaintiffs comprise Neil Heslin, Scarlett Lewis, Leonard Pozner, Veronique De La Rosa, and Marcel Fontaine.

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Jones Disclosure Statement Filing Date. The date by which Jones must file his disclosure statement in support of any Plan he has proposed.	Friday, December 22, 2023
Committee Disclosure Statement Filing Date. The date by which the Committee, the Texas Plaintiffs and the Connecticut Plaintiffs and any other party in interest proposing a Plan must file its disclosure statement in support thereof.	Friday, January 5, 2024
Written Discovery Deadline. The deadline by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall serve discovery relating to any Plans, potential objections thereto, and any other matters to be heard at the Confirmation Hearing (the "Requests"). The Parties and other parties in interest may—and are encouraged to—serve Requests sooner. The Parties and any other parties in interest shall serve responses and objections to any Requests within two weeks of service of the Requests. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties and any other parties in interest shall meet and confer in good faith regarding timing and any requested extension of response deadline. The Parties also reserve the right to serve Requests at a later date based on developments since January 9.	Tuesday, January 9, 2024
Objections to Provisional Approval of Disclosure Statements. The date by which Parties and any other parties in interest shall file any objections to the provisional approval of any disclosure statements filed.	Tuesday, January 16, 2024
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Plan Objection Deadline. The date by which objections to any Plan must be filed.	Wednesday, April 10, 2024
Rebuttal Expert Reports Report. The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall simultaneously may exchange rebuttal expert reports, with a date for rebuttal reports (if needed) to be determined by the Parties and any other parties in interest intending to serve such reports. Bankruptcy Rule 7026 shall apply in its entirely to any expert reports exchanged. if any.	Friday, March 8, Tuesday, April 16, 2024
Plan Objection Deadline Production of Materials Relied Upon in Rebuttal Expert Reports. The date by which objections to any Plan must be filed the Parties and any other parties in interest shall produce copies of any documents or data that were (a) relied on by such party's expert in forming the opinions contained in rebuttal reports and (b) have not already been produced in these cases.	Friday, March 8, Tuesday, April 16, 2024
Expert Depositions. The dates during which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall conduct expert witness depositions.	[Wednesday, April 17 – Tuesday, April 23, 2024]
Exchange of Exhibits. The deadline by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall exchange exhibits with each other.	Wednesday, April 24, 2024
Exchange of Final Witness and Exhibit Lists. The date by which the Parties and any other parties in interest shall serve a final list of witnesses and exhibits they intend to offer	Friday, March 8 May 10, 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Any rebuttal opinions may be offered during Expert Depositions.

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at the Confirmation Hearing (subject to	
supplementation from ongoing expert	
<u>depositions</u> ). Witness lists shall identify all	
witnesses that each party will call and may	
call at the Confirmation Hearing and shall	
provide a brief summary of the anticipated	
testimony of each witness.	
Exchange of Exhibits. The deadline by	
which the Parties and any other parties in	
interest shall exchange exhibits with each	Friday March 8, 2024, 12 pm CT
other.	
Objections to Final Witness and Exhibit	
<b>Lists.</b> The date by which the Parties and any	N. 1. N. 1.40 T. 1. N. 44 2024
other parties in interest must serve any	Monday, March 18, Tuesday, May 14, 2024
objections to the final witness and exhibit	
lists.	
<b>Expert Depositions.</b> The dates	
during Replies to Objections / Briefs in	
<b>Support of Confirmation.</b> The date by	
which the Parties and any other parties in	IT-reader Manch 10Thomas day Marc 16
interest shall conduct expert witness	Tuesday, March 19 Thursday, May 16,
depositions must file their replies to all timely	2024 — Wednesday, March 20, 2024]
objections to their respective Plans and	
submit any briefs in support of confirmation	
of any Plan.	
Meet and Confer. The date on which the	
Parties and any other parties in interest shall	Wednesday, March 20Friday, May 17,
meet and confer concerning any objections to	2024 / Thursday, March 21, 2024
witnesses or exhibits.	2021/ Hursday, March 21, 2021
Filing of Final Witness and Exhibit Lists	
with the Clerk of the Court. The deadline	
	Thursday March 21, 2024
by which the Parties and any other parties in	Thursday, March 21, 2024
interest shall file final exhibit and witness	
lists with the Clerk of the Court.	
Final Pretrial Conference. The date on	
which the Parties and any other parties in	Thursday, March 21, 2024 To be set week
interest shall, subject to the Court's	prior to Confirmation Hearing
availability, participate in a final pretrial	process of Community House High
conference.	
Reply to Objections. The date Filing of	Thursday, March 21, 2024 To be set two
Final Witness and Exhibit Lists with the	days before of commencement of
Clerk of the Court. The deadline by which	<b>Confirmation Hearing</b>
the Parties and any other parties in interest	
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Court.	
<b>Confirmation Hearing Dates.</b> The	
timeframe in which the Parties and any other	
parties in interest shall complete trial. For the	[Monday, March 25Tuesday, May 21, 2024
avoidance of doubt, final approval of any	- Wednesday, March 27 May 22, 2024
disclosure statements filed will be sought	
during the Confirmation Hearing.	

- 2. **Service.** The Parties and any other parties in interest agree to serve by email on all other Parties and any other parties in interest all discovery requests and written responses. Parties producing electronically stored information shall simultaneously transmit or make available such productions to all Parties that are bound by the *Stipulated Confidentiality Agreement and Protective Order*, dated February 14, 2023 [FSS ECF No. 461; Jones ECF No. 159].
- 3. **Discovery Disputes.** The Parties and any other parties in interest shall promptly seek Court intervention regarding any disputes that cannot be resolved consensually, which disputes shall be heard by the Court on an expedited basis.
- 4. **Confirmation Hearing.** The Parties and any other parties in interest will meet and confer on the details of the Confirmation Hearing, including the sequencing and length of witness testimony and the presentation of other evidence.
- 5. **Amendments or Modifications.** The Court may amend or modify the terms of this Order for good cause shown.
- 6. **Retention of Jurisdiction.** This Court shall retain jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the interpretation of this Order.

Dated: [DATE]
Houston, Texas
HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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